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SUBJECT: RESUMPTION OF NEGOTIATIONS ON UNIDO CONSTITUTION

REF: (A) VIENNA 4639; (B) STATE 089709

1. IN FOLLOWUP OF IDB-XI ACTION OF RESUMPTION OF
NEGOTIATIONS ON CONSTITUTION FOR UNIDO (REF A) WALDHEIM
REQUESTED AMB. MEHTA (INDIA), CHAIRMAN OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL
COMMITTEE TO MEET WITH HIM IN GENEVA ON THE EVENING OF
JULY 6 IN ORDER TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE WAYS AND MEANS OF GIVING
EFFECT TO BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION.

2. I HAD OPPORTUNITY TO MEET PRIVATELY WITH MEHTA DURING
AFTERNOON OF JULY 6 IN GENEVA FOR DETAILED DISCUSSION OF
WHAT HE MIGHT SUGGEST TO WALDHEIM.

3. AT CONCLUSION OF THIS DISCUSIO, DURING WHICH I DREW
LARGELY ON REF (B), MEHTA SAID HE INTENDED URGE FOLLOWING STEPS
ON SYG:

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(A) THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS BE RESUMED IN NEW YORK, IF
AT ALL POSSIBLE PRIOR TO THE COVENING OF THE RESUMED
31ST GA;

(B) THAT THESE NEGOTIATIONS BE DESCRIBED AS BEING
CONVENED "WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE PLENIPOTENTARY
CONFERENCE" ENVISAGED BY GA RESOLUTION 31/161. (SUCH
DESCRIPTION WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH LANGUAGE ADOPTED

IN CIEC AND AT IDB-XI.)

(C) THAT THE NEXT NEGOTIATING SESSION BE SCHEDULED FOR THE THREE-WEEK PERIOD AUGUST 22-SEPTEMBER 9;

(D) THAT THIS SESSION PICK UP WHERE IGC-V LEFT OFF AND BE LAUNCHED WITHOUT FANFARE; IT WOULD BE A CONTINUATION OF WORK AT THE TECHNICAL LEVEL;

(E) IF REMAINING ISSUES ARE RESOLVED DURING SUCH THREE-WEEK MEETING, THERE SHOULD THEN BE A SUFFICIENTLY LONG INTERVAL PROVIDED FOR DURING WHICH GOVERNMENTS COULD EVALUATE RESULTS OF THE WORK DONE. ASSUMING THAT DRAFT CONSTITUTION WHICH EMERGED COMMANDED SUFFICIENTLY BROAD SUPPORT, STAGE TWO OF THE OPERATION WOULD BE PUT INTO EFFECT BY CONVENING A HIGH LEVEL MEETING OF Plenipotentiaries with whatever fanfare was deemed appropriate for the purpose of signing final act and opening the constitution for signature. If full agreement not reached by end of three-week period, the situation would have to be reviewed in order to determine whether it was worth resuming the effort at a later date.

4. MEHTA PROMISED TO INFORM US OF THE OUTCOME OF HIS

MEETING WITH WALDHEIM.
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5. UNKNOWN FACTOR AT THIS STAGE IS EXTENT OF INTEREST AMONG N.Y. G-77 DELS IN ACTIVELY PURSUING THE NEGOTIA-

TIONS. MEHTA RECOGNIZED THAT IF ABOVE SCHEDULE WERE TO BE MET, SYG WOULD HAVE TO CONSULT AND REACH DECISIONS WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS. IF RESUMED NEGOTIATIONS ARE TO BE PUT OFF UNTIL 1978, MEHTA FEELS WALDHEIM SHOULD SUBMIT REPORT TO 32ND GA INCLUDING SPECIFIC PROPOSALS ON PROCEDURE ALONG ABOVE LINES.

6. COMMENT: WITH ONLY SIX WEEKS REMAINING AND GIVEN ABSENCES FROM NEW YORK DURING SUMMER HOLIDAY PERIOD,

AUGUST 22 DATE PROBABLY NOT REALISTIC. MOREOVER, SINCE SHIFTING OF NEGOTIATIONS FROM VIENNA TO NEW YORK MEANS REPLACEMENT OF EGC BY A NEW FORUM, ELECTION OF NEW BUREAU, ETC., IT MAY BE DIFFICULT TO MANAGE ARRANGEMENTS SO AS TO DOWNPLAY EMPHASIS ON CONVENING OF A PLEN-

IMPOTENTIARY CONFERENCE AT THIS NEXT STAGE. STIBRABY

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